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FIELD MEMORANDUM SCS No. 1094

Re: Planting Stock Policy
Amendment to Service
Manual 40412

TO ALL RANKING FIELD OFFICERS:

In order to make the most effective war-time use of planting materials furnished by the Soil Conservation Service the limitations on quantities of planting stock supplied by the Service, as stated in Service Manual 40412, are lifted for the duration of the war. During this period the quantity of planting materials, either herbaceous or woody, to be furnished an individual operator will be determined within the Regions.

It should be emphasized that this temporary change should not affect the uses to be made of the planting materials that are available. Such uses, as stated in the existing Service policy, are to be in accordance with approved soil and water conservation plans. Planting materials should be utilized where they contribute most to erosion control and planned land use. The use of such materials, including uncommon plants and war-time crops, should be encouraged in accordance with sound conservation principles. The Service should also continue to keep out of commercial trade channels and refuse to supply planting stock for Christmas trees or ornamental purposes.

We should also make every effort to assure an equitable distribution of available materials in order to assist as many land operators as possible in the application of their farm and ranch conservation plans.

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